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The copies of a few letters and correspondences that took place between the Government of Fort St. George, Madras, and Messers Binny & Co., Ltd., on the subject of the money deposited by Viraraja the Elder, and which amount was later claimed by his nephew and heir — Viraraja the Younger.

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The photo copies
of
a few letters written by the Government
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deposited by Viraraja the Elder.

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Ordered that the following reply be dispatched.

To Messrs. Binny & Co.

Gentlemen,

No. 2.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd ultimo, and to state, with adverstence to your former communication therein referred to, that the Right Honble the Governor in Council does not acknowledge the proprietory right of the Ex Rajah of Coorg to the Government Promissory Note standing in the name of the late Dewa Ammajee the daughter of the late Veerajender Wadeir.

To Messrs Binny & Co stating that Government do not acknowledge the proprietory right of the Ex Rajah of Coorg to the Government Promissory Note standing in the name of the late Dewa Ammajee, the daughter of the late Veerajender Wadeir.

I am &c &c

(Signd) R. Clerke

Secretary to Govt

Fort St. George

4th April 1837.

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Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.

Read the following letter from Messrs Binny & Co.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

We have the honor to

From Messrs Binny & Co. stating that they are extremely anxious to get the Government Promissory Note in the name of the late Dewan Annapjee the daughter of the late Veeranjeen, out of their possession, and would consider it a favor if the Government would grant them their assistance on the occasion in the manner pointed out in their letter of the 24th July 1834 – but if they decline interference, the only course then left they presume will be to advertize the Bond in the different papers of the three Presidencies.

acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th April last, stating that they did not acknowledge the proprietary right of the Rajah of Coorg to the Government Promissory Note standing in the name of the late Dewan Annapjee the Daughter of the late Veeranjeen Madier.

As the above is intended as a reply to a letter which we did ourselves the honor to address to you on the 24th July 1834 – we suspect the Government

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Government must have overlooked the purport of that communication for the points referred to therein are not adverted to, in the present reply.

We are extremely anxious to get the Government Promissory note in question out of our possessions and would consider it a favor if the Government would grant us their assistance on the occasion, in the manner pointed out in our letter of the 31st July 1834 — but if they decline interfering, the only cause that left us will be the presumed loss to advertize the Bond in the different Papers of the three Presidencies.

Madras
23rd October, 1837 E. E.

We have the honor to be
Sir
Your
Obt Servt

Signed Binny & Co.

Ordered that the following reply be despatched.

To
Messrs Binny & Co.

Gentlemen,

In reference to your letter

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In reference to their letter of the 23d instant proposing the Promissory Note for Rupees 653940 – standing in the names of Deena Dayalu Nayudu the daughter of the late Veerajendra Wadeer Rajah of Coorg, noticing the previous correspondence on the occasion, and stating that they are still at liberty to avail themselves of the offer of Government to guarantee them against the consequences of any claim which might be preferred against them on the relinquishment of the Note to the Accountant General.

Letter of the 23d Instant, I am directed to observe that the Government on the 22d July 1834 requested you to deposit with the Accountant General the Promissory Note for Rupees 653940 – standing in the names of Deena Dayalu Nayudu Alias Daughter of the late Veerajendra Wadeer Rajah of Coorg and proposed to guarantee you against the consequences of any claim which might be preferred against you for the recovery of the Note in question.

2. In reply to that communication you submitted that the Note was received through the Resident of Mysore from the late ex-Rajah of Coorg with a request that you would receive the interest due on it and that you entertained doubts whether you could deliver up a Government Promissory Note received from a Constituent, to any one else unless under his order or authority, without committing a

Breach

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Breach of Faith and under these circumstances you solicited that the authority of the Court of Rajah of Coorg for the delivery of the Note might be obtained, or that the opinions of the Law Officers of Government on this point might be taken and furnished for your information.

3. The Government considering it immaterial in whose custody the Promissory Note remained did not immediately reply to this Letter but on an answer being solicited you were informed that the Governor in Council did not recognize the proprietary right of the Ex Rajah of Coorg to the Note in question. It was consequently evident that the Government could not seek his authority for the disposal of a Bond to which he had no claim and it was not considered necessary to consult the Company's Law Officers as to the propriety or otherwise of your complying with the offer made

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by the Government and of which offer of a guarantee on your relinquishment of the office to the Accountant General you are still at liberty to avail yourself.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
Signed J. C. Clark
Secretary to Govt.

Fort St. George
31st October, 1837.

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Read the following letter from

Messrs Binny & Co.

Madras 23d March 1837

To

The Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

No.

From Messrs Binny & Co.
Requesting to be favored with an answer to their letter of the 24th July 1834 relative to a Promissory Note for Rupees 6,53,940 standing in the name of Dawa Ammajee, the daughter of the late Veerarajendra Wadeir Rajah of Coorg.

We have the honor to annex copy of a letter which we wrote to you on the 24th July 1834 and would feel greatly obliged if the Government would favor us with an answer thereto.

We &c. &c.

(Signed) Binny & Co.

Madras 24th July 1834.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22d Instant, requesting us by direction of the Governor in Council under instructions received from His Excellency the Right Honble the Governor General of India in Council to deposit with the Accountant General a Promissory Note for Rupees 6,53,940 — standing in the name of Dawa Ammajee the daughter of the late Veerajender Wadeir Rajah of Coorg — You also inform us that the Government will if we require it guarantee us against the consequence of any claim which

may

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may be preferred against us for the recovery of the Note in question.

On the 13th September last, we received under cover of a letter from the Resident in Mysore a letter from the late Rajah of Coorg, enclosing a Government Promissory Note in the name of Doyo Amabjee Rahuee of Coorg for Rupees 653940—— with a request that we would receive the Interest due on it, as we had for many years past been in the habit of doing. This we presume is the Note alluded to in the letter from Government and while we beg to disclaim any desire to retain possession of the same, or unwillingness to comply with the wishes of Government in respect to it, more particularly if protected by their guarantee from any pecuniary responsibility consequent to our doing so. We at the same time beg leave to submit that we are doubtful how far as Agents we can deliver up a Government Promissory Note received from a Constituent to any one else, unless under his order and authority without committing a Breach of faith— We trust therefore that under the peculiar circumstances of the case, we are not soliciting too much when we submit our request that the authority of the late Rajah of Coorg for our delivering up the Promissory Note may be obtained, or if that is not expedient that the opinion of the Government Law Officers on the point in question may be taken, & furnished to us for our guidance. In conclusion we would beg that His Excellency the Right Honble the Governor General in Council may be assured that the only cause for our hesitation in complying with the request now conveyed to us, consists in our fear of compromising our duties as Agents.

We &c. &c.

(Signed) Binny & Co.

Agents

Copy of the Correspondence between Govt. & Binny & Co.'s Agents at St. George

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the Astagram Division on the 1st Instant, and to enclose a few of that Officer's Receipts for the same.

I beg permission to bring to the notice of the Honorable the Governor in Council that a Promissary Note to the Rajah of Coorg for Sicca Rupees 2,03,900 has been delivered over with the Treasure, and that no Interest has been drawn upon this Note since the 1st May 1833.

Mysore Residency,
5th January 1835.

I have &c.
(Signed) J. S. Fraser, Lieut. Col.
Resident.

Received from the Resident at Mysore a Promissary Note No. 1733 of 1832/33 for Sicca Rupees Two Lacs three thousand and nine hundred (2,03,900) to Veera Vunder Oodayer Rajah of Coorg and on which interest from 1st May 1832 to 1st May 1833 being Sicca Rupees Eight thousand, One hundred and fifty-nine (8,159) has been paid as per endorsement of the Ex-Rajah.

Superintendent's Office,
Astagram Division,
Mysore,
January 1835.

(Signed) F. Chalmers,
Superintendent.

True Copy.
(Signed) J. S. Fraser, Lieut.
Resident

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